

## DETAILED ACTION

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Louis Woo on July 21, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows: In claims 1 and 2, at line 1, before "computer program" and after "A", insert **—computer readable medium storing a-**; and at line 2, delete "to be recorded on a recording medium" and after "animation pictures" delete **—the computer-readable medium,-**. In order words, the preamble should read **—a computer readable medium storing a computer program used with a picture generation system for generating animation pictures, comprising the steps of:-**

In claims 3 and 4, at line 1, before "computer program" and after "A", insert **—computer readable medium storing a-**.

### *Allowable Subject Matter*

3. Claims 1-4 and 6-9 are allowed for reasons indicated in the previous communication.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### ***Conclusion***

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sajous Wesner whose telephone number is 571-272-7791. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:15-6:45.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Razavi can be reached on 571-272-7664. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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